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<u>REMARKS</u>

Claims 1-18 have been examined on their merits.

Applicant thanks the Patent Office for indicating that claims 1-10 are allowed.

Applicant herein cancels claim 14 without prejudice and/or disclaimer.

Claims 1-13 and 15-18 are all the claims presently pending in the application.

- 1. Claims 11-18 stand objected to as containing informalities. The objection to claim 14 is now moot due to its cancellation. Applicant herein amends claim 11 as suggested by the Patent Office. Applicant submits that claim 11 is now allowable, and further submits that claims 12, 13 and 15-18 are allowable as well, at least by virtue of their dependency from claim 11.
- 2. Claim 14 stands objected to under 37 C.F.R. § 1.75(c) as being of improper dependent form. The objection to claim 14 is now moot due to its cancellation.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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